

B. Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant respectfully requests that the shortened statutory period for response to the outstanding Office Action dated July 1, 2003, set to expire on August 1, 2003, be extended by three months, to expire on November 1, 2003. Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the three-month extension fee of \$950.00 to Deposit Account No. 03-1740.

Respectfully submitted,

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